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DAWSON & SAWYER

Haworth & Son's Agents

AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

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Cromwell Advertisements

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

FAMILY GROCERS

WHITE SPIRITS AND GENERAL MERCHANTS.

We desire to intimate that in order to meet the growing exigencies of our business, we have lately built substantial additions to our former premises.

At the urgent request of our numerous customers, we have added to our other branches of business, that of DRAPERY, CROCKERY, & IRONMONGERY.

We would further notify that, having engaged a Buyer in connection with our business to select special lines consigned from the Home and Melbourne markets, we will in future be in a position to offer such superior advantages to our customers as will not fail to ensure a continuance of their liberal patronage, and, more especially, will command the attention and confidence of the Trade, Runholders, and Large Buyers.

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.

Our GROCERY STOCK comprises: Teas, of excellent flavour, in chests, half-chests, and boxes. Soap: treble crown, blue mottled, household, scented in bars, cakes, and boxes. Vestas, by approved makers. Salt: table, fine, and coarse. Raisins: Muscatels, Sultanas, and Elemes. Oils: salad, castor, and kerosene. Sauces: Lea and Perrins, Mushroom, Nabob, and assorted.

TOBACCOES.

Imperial, Aromatic, cable-twist—superior Cameron's celebrated brands—Havelock, Golden Bar, Venus tens. Barrett's Twist, in quarter-tierces and boxes.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Brandies, Hennessy's, Associated Vineyard, Martell's, in bulk and case. Whiskies: Old Glenury, Leky, Longjohn's, in bulk and case. Rum: Lemon Hart's. Port: Fine old Offley's, six grape. Sherry: Gonzola, six diamond. Gin: J.D.K. Geneva, Nectar, and Kummell. Old Tom: Burnett's, Bernard's. Claret: St. Julian's.

IRONMONGERY STOCK consists of:

Blasting powder and fusee. Gunpowder, caps, and shot. Long and short handled shovels. Spades, sluice forks. Picks and pick handles. Gold dishes, hose-pipes. Drills and drilling hammers. Manila and flax ropes. White lead, castor, boiled, and colza oils. Galvanised and corrugated iron. Stoves and piping.

CANVAS, SADDLERY, AND BRUSHWARE.

HOLT'S SEWING MACHINES: CABINET AND HAND.

DRAPERY AND CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Suits: silk-mixture, Galatea, Paget, sac Boys' do. Trousers and Vests: Mosgiel, silk-mixed, tweed, doeskin. Shirts: white dress, crèmeans, Scotch twill, tweed. Pants and undershirts, in flannel, lamb's-wool, merino, and cotton. Hosiery and hats.

BOOTS & SHOES.

Boots: men's elastic-sides, watertights, half-Wellingtons; Hayward and North British Gum Boot. Women's and children's Boots, Shoes, and Slippers; in calf, kid, and cashmere.

N.B.—All goods in this department are marked at low prices.

CROCKERYWARE.

Breakfast, dinner, and bedroom sets complete. China, glass, and earthenware goods of every description.

Vamps: parlour, hanging, bracket.

FILTERS, VASES, AND LUSTRES.

FANCY GOODS.

Electro-plated Britannia-metal tea and coffee pots; meerschaum and briar pipes—a choice selection; patent medicines; stationery; perfumery.

COLONIAL PRODUCE: Wheat, Oats, Chaff, Pollard, and Potatoes.

D. A. J. & Co. have been appointed sole agents for the sale of Butel Bros.' superior silk-dressed flour, bran, and pollard; and are prepared to promptly execute all orders within a radius of sixty miles.—FLOUR GUARANTEED. TERMS LIBERAL.

SHERWOOD AND WRIGHT,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, AND

General Storekeepers

MELMORE STREET, CROMWELL.

Having most complete arrangements for the regular consignment of Goods suitable to the market. Sherwood and Wright have pleasure in intimating that they have now on hand, and constantly arriving, full supplies of

WINES, SPIRITS, PROVISIONS, AND

FAMILY GROCERIES.

of the very best quality obtainable, and which will be found to compare most favorably as to price with those of any establishment on the

above line; so that it is unnecessary to give a detailed list.

Messrs Sherwood and Wright have made arrangements for a constant supply of

FLOUR, BRAN, POLLARD, AND GENERAL PRODUCE

of the finest quality from the Wakatipu Mills. In this line the firm can offer special value.

GOODS DELIVERED TO ALL PARTS OF THE DISTRICT.

FAMILIES REGULARLY WAITED UPON.

S. & W. desire specially to state that they have entered into arrangements for the regular supply to them of

DAIRY PRODUCE

from one of the finest farms on the Taieri, an advantage which they feel sure their customers will fully appreciate.

Cromwell Advertisements

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,

HAVE ON HAND

THE LARGEST AND BEST-SELECTED STOCK

OF ANY UP-COUNTRY STORE IN

DRAPERY, BOOTS, IRONMONGERY, CROCKERY

WINES and SPIRITS

SPECIAL ATTENTION DEVOTED TO

MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING,

DIRECT FROM OUR OWN FACTORY.

A LARGE STOCK OF

FURNITURE AND BUILDING MATERIALS

ALWAYS ON HAND

AGENTS FOR

Robertson & Hallenstein's Celebrated Silk-dressed Wakatip Flour.

A GOOD SUPPLY OF BRAN, POLLARD, AND PRODUCE OF ALL KINDS ALWAYS ON HAND

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.

W. TALBOYS'

REDUCED PRICE LIST OF

WINTER DRAPERY, CLOTHING &c

Winceys, 10d and 1s

Satin Cloths, new shades, 1s 6d

French Merinos, 2s, 2s 6d and 3s

All Wool Plaids, 2s 11d

Fancy Dress, 10s 6d, 12s 6d and 15s

Black Silks, 60s; Colored, 50s (the Dress)

Black and Colored Lustres, 11d and 1s 3d

Costume Cloths, 11d, 1s 3d and 1s 6d

Horrocks' Calico, 5s 9d per doz

Unbleached Calico, 5s 9d per doz

Real Welsh Flannel, 1s 3d and 1s 6d

Colored Flannels in Twill and Plain

White Blankets, 13s 6d per pair

Colored Blankets, 14s—large stock

Sheeting, 72in, 1s 6d

Turkish Towels, 12s per doz

Tweeds, 3s 6d, 4s 6d and 5s 6d

Carpets and Mattings, from 1s 4d

Men's, Youths' and Boys' Clothing in Colonial and English Tweeds and makes

Men's Suits, 37s 6d, 40s and 45s; Pagets, 50s

Trousers and Vests, 17s 6d, 22s 6d and 25s

Trousers, Tweed, 10s 6d, 12s 6d, and 15s

White and Colored Moles, three crown, 9s

Coats, splendid stock new goods, from 17s 6d

Beaver Jackets, 16s 6d

Knit Drawers, 5s 6d, 7s 6d and 8s 6d

Serge Drawers, 7s 6d: Cotton, 3s

Shirts, job lot, at 4s 6d; Crimean, 5s to 10s

Flannels, large sizes, 5s 6d, 6s 6d and 7s 6d

Boys' Knicker Suits, 10s 6d, 15s and 17s 6d

Youths' Suits, 25s, 30s, and 32s 6d

Men's White Embroidered Shirts

Gent's Scarfs in great variety

Large stock Felt Hats, 4s, 5s and 6s 6d

Bed Rugs, large size, 12s 6d

A Large and Varied Stock of New Goods in Ladies' and Children's Jackets, Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, Gloves, Scarfs, Lace Sets, Hosiery, Ribbons and Trimmings.

TALBOYS' CHEAP GROCERY QUOTATIONS

New Season Tea, (Boxes of 12lb), 23s

Cocoa (pound tins), 1s 6d

Muscatels, 1s 2d per lb

Jordan Almonds, 2s 3d per lb

Eleimes, 7d per lb

Lemon Peel, 1s 5d per lb

Two-crown Soap, 12s per box

Three-crown Soap, 14s per box

Dates, 10d per lb

Condensed milk, 1s

Kerosene (Noonday), 12s per tin.

Fresh Herrings, 8d per tin.

Lobsters, 11d per tin

Salmon, 11d per tin

Sardines (half-pound tins), 11d

Sardines (quarter-pound tins), 7d

Oysters, 8d per tin

Tainsh's Jams, 1d per tin

Figs, 1s per box

Preserved Fruits, 2s.

Pickles, 1s per bottle

Candles 11d per lb

ABOVE PRICES ARE STRICTLY CASH.

Men's Elastic Sides, Lace-ups and Watertights, Colonial Made, 14s 6d.

A large stock of Ladies' and Children's Kid Boots (Copper Toes), 4s 6d.

W. TALBOYS, LONDON HOUSE, CROMWELL.

Cromwell



The following are the days appointed for holding the Resident Magistrate's and Warden's Courts for the months of June, July, August and September, 1880, for the Dunstan division of the Otago Goldfields Districts:

CLYDE—Every Thursday, excepting the Teviot Court week.

CROMWELL—Every Friday.

ALEXANDRA—Monday, June 14 and 28

" July 12 and 26

" August 9 and 23

" September 6 and 20

(The District Court Office at Alexandra will be open on the above dates for the transaction of ordinary business this office will be open every Monday.)

OXFORD—Tuesday, June 29

" July 27

" August 24

" September 21

[This office will be open for the transaction of ordinary business the Tuesday preceding each Court day.]

ROXBURGH—Tuesday, July 20

" August 17

" September 14

JACKSON KEDDELL,
Warden and R.M.

M R SPENCE H. TURTON
BARRISTER,
SOLICITOR AND CONVEYANCER,
CROMWELL
(TWO DOORS BELOW GOODGER'S HOTEL).

Mr TURTON will visit Alexandra and Blenheim every Court day, and Clyde when professionally required.

T H O M A S F O O T E,
TAILOR AND CLOTHIER
MELMORE TERRACE,
C R O M W E L L .

Choice Selection of Tweeds on hand.

K. P R E T S C H,
CROMWELL,
COACH AND GENERAL PAINTER,
PAPERHANGER, &c.

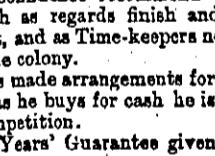
Has always on hand a fine selection of Paper hangings, Paints, Glass, and Mouldings of every description, at low prices.

Contracts undertaken for General Painting, Paperhanging, Decoration, and Sign Writing.

E. M U R R E L L,
WATCHMAKER & JEWELLER,
Has just received, per English Mail, another consignment of SILVER HUNTING LEVER WATCHES direct from the public both as regards finish and accuracy of adjustment, and as Time-keepers not to be excelled in the colony.

E. M. has made arrangements for regular supplies, and as he buys for cash he is in a position to defy competition.

A Two Years' Guarantee given with every Watch.



INSPECTION INVITED.

Note the address—

E. MURRELL,
Watch and Clock Maker,
MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

N O B E L ' S P A T E N T D Y N A M I T E .

DALGETY, NICHOLS AND CO., Agents for the above Dynamite, beg to call the attention of Contractors, Miners and others, to the great strength of Dynamite, compared with other explosives as shown below:

Blasting Gelatine, 100.00, Nobel's patent.

Nitro Glycerine, 93.36

No. 1 Dynamite, 75.11, Nobel's patent

Lithofracteur of the strongest and best make, 65.69.

The price of Nobel's Dynamite, notwithstanding its greater strength and purity, does not exceed even that of Lithofracteur, viz.:—

1 Case 50 lbs, 2s 9d per lb

5 " 2s 6d "

10 " 2s 3d "

Delivery to be taken from Magazine.

DALGETY, NICHOLS, AND CO.

Bond-street, Dunedin.

N.B.—Supplies may be obtained from

D. A. JOLLY & CO., Cromwell.

W. JENKINS, Arrowtown.

Miscellaneous.

R. AND A. J. PARK,
SURVEYORS, LAND AGENTS,
SHARE AND MONEY BROKERS,
SAVING BANK BUILDINGS,
HIGH STREET, DUNEDIN.
Land Office business transacted.

MONEY TO LEND AT CURRENT RATES.

P. B U T T E L & C O . ' S
FLOUR MILLS,

NEAR ARROWTOWN,

Supply First-class

SILK-DRESSED FLOUR, BRAN AND POLLARD.

GRISTING DONE AT CURRENT RATES.

Country orders executed with care and dispatch. An excellent sample of flour guaranteed, cannot be excelled in the Colony.

V INCENT FLOUR MILL,
OPHIR.

J. C. JONES

Begs to inform the inhabitants of the surrounding districts that, having now completed the above Flour Mill, which he has fitted up with machinery on the most improved principle, he is prepared to supply

SILK-DRESSED FLOUR

of the best quality; also, Bran and Pollard.

Gristing at Current Rates.

J. C. JONES.

WAKATIP FLOUR & OATMEAL
MILLS, LAKE HAYES.

ROBERT GILMOUR - PROPRIETOR.

The Proprietor begs to announce to the public that, owing to the increased demand for Oatmeal, he has now completed considerable improvements on his oatmeal machinery, and is prepared to supply a first-class article at a most reasonable rate.

R.G.'s Mill being under the management of a Miller of wide experience, the public can depend upon a Constant Supply of Flour of the best quality, and can offer it at as cheap a rate and upon as reasonable terms as any in the district.

ROBERT GILMOUR.

N O T I C E
On and after this date, POISON will be LAID for DOGS and RABBITS on Mount Pisa and Queensberry Runs.

H. F. WILLMOTT,

Manager.

Mount Pisa Station, April 2, 1880.

N O T I C E
A number of useless Curs are allowed to prowl about on Kawarau Station by their owners. This is to give them warning that POISON will be laid wherever they are most likely to get it.

JAMES COWAN.

October, 1877.

N O T I C E
On and after this date, POISON will be laid for Rabbits on Ardgour Station.

J. S. DEWAR,

Manager.

July 1, 1880.

THE AUSTRALIAN LITHOFRACTEUR AND DYNAMITE CO.
(KREBS' PATENT.)

ARTHUR BRISCOE & CO.
Having accepted the above Company's Agency or New Zealand, direct the attention of Railway and other Contractors, Miners, and Quarrymen to the enormous advantages derived from the use of these STRONGEST EXPLOSIVES MANUFACTURED.

For Mining, Quarrying, Blasting in hard or soft rock, and for Submarine Works (Krebs' Patent being the only manufacture insoluble) it is invaluable.

The SUPERIOR STRENGTH of these COLONIAL EXPLOSIVES has been proved by experts to be 15 to 20 per cent. stronger than any imported Dynamite, while the present price renders it cheaper than blasting powder.

Price—1 case, 2s 9d per lb.

5 " 2s 6d "

10 " 2s 3d "

Delivery from magazine payable by purchaser.

ARTHUR BRISCOE & CO.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL IRONMONGERS AND

IRON MERCHANTS,

PRINCE-STREET, DUNEDIN.

Cromwell

S W A N B R E W E R Y,
CRÖMWEHL.

G. W. GOODGER . . . Proprietor.

The Proprietor is now prepared to supply his unrivalled XXXX ALES in any quantity, delivered throughout the District.

Orders left at the Commercial Hotel, Cromwell, or at the Brewery, will be promptly attended to.

G. W. GOODGER.

WILLIAM SUTHERLAND

General

BLACKSMITH & FARRIER,

Begs to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that he has removed to

QUARTZVILLE,

where he hopes, by strict attention to business and reasonable charges, to merit a share of the public patronage.

CROMWELL.

VETERINARY SHOEING FORGE,
MELMORE STREET.

ROBERT WISHART,
GENERAL BLACKSMITH, FARRIER, MACHINIST,
&c.

Every description of work in connection with Mining and Farming Tools and Machinery made and repaired on the premises.

Good Workmanship guaranteed at Reasonable Prices.

R. W. begs to intimate to the public generally that he has gone to the expense of fitting up a CAST-IRON BED for TIRING WHEELS, being the first introduced up-country; and in this branch he will guarantee to give every satisfaction.

Horses shod on the latest and most-approved principle.

Light shoes 10s.

Draught do. 16s.

N.B.—A large supply of Slesinger's Horse and Cattle Medicines on hand.

IMPORTANT TO WAGONERS, FARMERS, AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

NEW VETERINARY & SHOEING FORGE.

JAMES RICHARDS,

GENERAL BLACKSMITH AND FARRIER,

Having removed to the premises recently occupied by R. Wishart (adjoining Bank of New Zealand), begs to inform the public that he is in a position to execute every class of work in a most satisfactory manner at reasonable prices.

In the Veterinary and Shoeing Department the advertiser has considerable experience, and in these branches can guarantee to suit those who favor him with their patronage.

Horses carefully and skilfully treated for all complaints.

Note the Address—

MELMORE STREET, CROMWELL,

Adjoining the Bank of New Zealand.

WANTED KNOWN.

The SCHOONER NUN having undergone a THOROUGH REPAIRING, the Owner will place her on easy service with Runholders and Butchers, who may have fat stock to send to market.

All orders for Black Pine and Totaro Posts and Rails will receive immediate attention.

Always on hand a large stock of Firewood.

IRON PIPING! IRON PIPING!!

CANVAS AND WOODEN FLUMING SUPERSEDED!

GEORGE PRESCOTT,

S T. B A T H A N S,

Begs to intimate to Proprietors and Mine Managers that he is now Manufacturing

IRON PIPING
(SUITABLE FOR SLUICING AND OTHER PURPOSES)

At a cost which will compare favorably with Dunedin prices, while his practical knowledge of Miners' requirements enables him to furnish a more suitable article than that imported.

Pipes made any length convenient for packing and sent to any part of the country according to agreement.

G. P. would wish to draw the attention of Proprietors and Managers of Hydraulic-worked Mines to the utility and economy of the WATER DIRECTOR with the Ball and Socket Joint, which can be attached to the Iron Piping, thus altogether dispensing with canvas hose; and, with full pressure on, a child of ten years can move it any direction.

Note the Address—

GEORGE PRESCOTT

S T. BATHANS.

Miscellaneous.

NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY

RISKS TAKEN ON THE MOST LIBERAL TERMS.

JAMES MARSHALL,

Melmore-Street, Cromwell

KAWARAU COAL PIT,
BANNOCKBURN.

JOHN PRYDE, Proprietor.

The Coal supplied from above Pit is recognized as the best yet vended in the district. It burns freely, and emits great heat. It is delivered at

Cromwell ... 2ds per ton.

Bannockburn ... 20s do.

At Pit's mouth ... 12s do.

FULL WEIGHT GUARANTEED.

JOHN PRYDE,

Proprietor.

COAL! COAL! COAL!!
BEST QUALITY IN DISTRICT.

EDWARD M'NULTY, JUNR.,

Having opened the Coal-pit known as M'Langlin's, and placed same in thorough working order, is prepared to sell this Superior Coal—which

Hotels.

CARRICK RANGE HOTEL,
BANNOCKBURN.

GEORGE MANSON, PROPRIETOR.

Having leased the above hotel from Mr Peake, the undersigned has completely renovated the premises, and effected such improvements as were necessary for the entire comfort and convenience of the public, rendering the house one of the best in the district.

THE PUBLIC HALL.

Attached to the Hotel has also been fitted up for meetings, entertainments, &c.

Alcock's prize Billiard Table and commodious room, supplied with every requirement.

Wines, Spirits and Beer of best brands and brew.

GEORGE MANSON,
Proprietor.

VICTORIA BRIDGE HOTEL.

J. M'CORRICK, Proprietor.

The above well-known Hotel (late Edwards') has undergone a thorough renovation at the hands of the present proprietor, and is now second to no house on the main road from Cromwell to Queenstown.

Travellers may rest assured that they will receive every attention at the above Hotel.

The excellent range of STONE STABLES is under the charge of an experienced Groom. Horses will therefore secure every attention.

BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE,
DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,
(On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions kept in Stock.

The Goods, being obtained DIRECT from Dunedin, are retailed at the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

N.B.—Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

JOHN RICHARDS, PROPRIETOR.

VICTORIA HOTEL
CROMWELL.

JAMES STUART,
(Late of the Ferry Hotel, Bannockburn.)

Begs to intimate to his friends and the public that he has purchased the above Hotel, where he hopes, by strict attention to business, and by keeping the best Wines and Spirits, to merit a share of public patronage.

A first-class table kept, and superior eight-stall stone stable, replete with every convenience for Travellers. Unsurpassed in the District.

N.B.—The nearest Hotel to the Court-house.

CRITERION HOTEL,
ALEXANDRA.

HENRY TOHILL, Proprietor.

H. Tohill begs to inform the Travelling Public that this Hotel possesses every convenience and trusts, by strict attention to the comfort of Travellers and the Public generally, to merit their patronage.

PRIVATE PARLOR AND BEDROOMS.

Large and commodious Billiard Room and Alcock's Prize Table.

THE BEST OF WINES, SPIRITS AND BEER ONLY KEPT.

The Culinary Department Specially attended to.

Good STABLING.

PORT PHILIP HOTEL,
SUNDERLAND STREET, CLYDE.

JOHN COX, Proprietor.

This well-known Hotel possesses every accommodation; and J. C. begs to inform the Travelling Public that, to suit the times, he has determined on reducing the charges, which, from date, will be as follows:

Stabling, per night ... 6s
Single Feed ... 2s
Meals and Bed, each ... 2s
Board and Lodging, per week 30s
Board only ... 20s

The Stables attached to the Hotel comprise, besides Stalls, Eight Loose Boxes. An efficient Groom always in attendance, and only the best of Provender kept.

Cobb and Cott's coaches arrive and depart from this Hotel.

THE BEST BRANDS OF SPIRITS, WINES, AND BEERS.

N.B.—A Private Cottage for Families, containing all the comforts of a home.

Hotels.

JOHN M'LAIR'S HOTEL,

BRIDGE HOTEL,

CROMWELL.

Having leased the above hotel from Mr Peake,

the undersigned has completely renovated the premises, and effected such improvements as were necessary for the entire comfort and convenience of the public, rendering the house one of the best in the district.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district

D. MURLEY PROPRIETOR.

D. Murley has pleasure in intimating to his friends and the public generally that he has fitted up the Globe Hotel with every convenience and comfort, without regard to expense; and can confidently assure those who favor the house with their patronage that no effort will be spared to meet their wants.

Travellers will find the Globe a most comfortable home, with ample accommodation.

The Stabling is commodious, and the greatest care and attention will be bestowed on travellers' horses.

The Proprietor intends to make a specialty of his stock of Wines, Spirits and Beers—none but the best brands of which will be kept on the premises.

MOUNT PISA HOTEL,
WANAKA ROAD.

T. H. BYRON, Proprietor.

The above Hotel affords ample accommodation for travellers, and the Stabling is carefully attended to.

Best Brands of Wines, Spirits, and Beer.

BALLARAT HOTEL,
ARROWTOWN.

Mrs G. B. BOND, Proprietress.

The above Hotel is replete with every convenience and comfort, rendering it eminently suitable for the travelling public, while permanent boarders will find all the comforts of a home.

FIRST-CLASS STABLING.

Efficiently managed.

Prize Billiard Table, with all accessories and careful attendance.

Cromwell.

FREE TRADE BUTCHERY.
(Wholesale and Retail).

JAMES DAWKINS, PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon, &c., always on hand.

* * Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout the district.

STATIONERY & BOOKS.

Ledgers, Journals, Day and Minute Books, Writing Paper and Envelopes of all classes.

SMALL GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

Families and Hotels waited upon daily.

THE CROMWELL BAKERY.

J. SCOTT,
BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,

Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district

BEATTY

13 Stop Organ.

ONLY £115.00 FOR THE FIRST

\$97 TRIAL

15 DAYS

COUNTIES GAZETTE.

NOTICE.

POISONED WHEAT will be laid on the Dunstan and Cromwell Commonages on and after this date for Rabbits.

GEORGE CLARK,
County Clerk.
Vicinity County Offices,
Clyde, June 26th, 1880.

BOROUGH OF CROMWELL
ANNUAL ELECTION OF COUNCILLOR.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the Nomination of Candidates for the representation of Kawarau Ward in the Cromwell Borough Council, held at the Athenaeum Hall on Thursday, 16th September,

HENRICH BEHRENS, being the only person proposed, was then, and is hereby declared duly elected a Councillor for said Kawarau Ward.

Dated at Cromwell this 20th day of September, 1880.

JAS. MARSHALL,
Returning Officer for Kawarau Ward.

BOROUGH OF CROMWELL
ANNUAL ELECTION OF COUNCILLOR.

EXTRAORDINARY VACANCY.

NOMINATIONS for the office of Councillor for BRIDGE WARD will take place at the Council Chambers, at Noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 29th day of September.

Dated at Cromwell this 20th day of September, 1880.

JAS. MARSHALL,
Returning Officer for Bridge Ward.

STAR OF THE EAST QUARTZ
MINING COMPANY (REGISTERED).

A CALL of 5s per Share has been made Payable at the Company's Office, Cromwell, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of October, 1880.

All Calls must be paid immediately on becoming due, or proceedings will be at once taken for their recovery.

By order of the Directors.

JAS. MARSHALL,
Manager.

V. R.

TENDERS FOR INLAND MAIL
SERVICES FOR 1881 AND 1882.

General Post-office

Wellington, 17th August, 1880.

SEALED TENDERS will be received at the Chief Post-office, Dunedin, until THURSDAY, the 30th September proximo, for the Conveyance of Mails between the undermentioned places, for a period of two years, from the 1st January, 1881, to 31st December, 1882.

POSTAL DISTRICT OF DUNEDIN.

46. Cromwell and Quartzville, weekly
47. Cromwell and Quartzville, twice weekly
48. Quartzville and Upper Nevis, weekly.
49. Cromwell, Bendigo, and Pembroke, weekly
50. Cromwell, Bendigo, and Pembroke, twice weekly
51. Pembroke and Cardrona, weekly.

The attention of intending tenderers is directed to the following clause of the terms and conditions of the contract, printed at the back of the tender-forms:—"The days and hours of arrival and departure to be fixed from time to time as the Postmaster-general may direct. For services performed by coach no stage shall exceed twelve miles, except by special permission from the Postmaster-general, who shall determine whether or not longer stages are unavoidable."

Contractors whose tenders may be accepted must be prepared to carry out the services for which they tender according to the time-tables framed by the department.

Forms of tender, with the terms and conditions of contract, may be procured at any post-office.

No tender will be considered unless made on the printed form.

Tenders, endorsed "Tender for Mail Service, No. . . ." to be addressed to be Postmaster-general, Wellington, and enclosed to the Chief Postmaster of the postal district to which the tender may specifically refer.

W. GRAY,
Postmaster, and
Secretary.



WANAKA ANNUAL RACES.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY,
October 21st and 22nd, 1880.

STEWARDS:

Mr T. A. Fraser	Mr H. S. Thomson
.. R. McDougall	.. A. Chalmers
.. H. Maidman	.. R. Walsh
.. G. Chrissp	.. J. B. Ewing
.. J. Hardie	.. J. Dove

Mr H. F. Willmott

JUDGE: Mr R. McDougall.

STARTER: Mr John McLaren.

CLERK OF COURSE: Mr W. Ford.

PROGRAMME:

FIRST DAY, THURSDAY.

Maiden Plate, of 15 sovs. Weight for age; one mile; open to all horses that have never won an advertised race.

Newcastle Handicap, of 15 sovs. One mile; nomination, 15s; acceptance, 10s.

Handicap Hurdle Race, of 15 sovs. Entrance, 20s; one and a half mile, over six flights of hurdles.

Hack Race, of 10 sovs. Post entry, 20s; no weight under 11st; open to all horses that have never won over £5.

SECOND DAY, FRIDAY.

Trial Plate, of 15 sovs. Entrance, 20s; one mile; for three-year-olds; weight, 8st 10lb.

Wanaka Handicap, of 25 sovs. One mile and a half; nomination, 20s; acceptance, 10s.

Hack Race, of 10 sovs. Post entry, 15s. half-mile heats; walter weight for age open to all horses that have never started for public money.

Consolation Handicap, of — sovs. Entrance 10s; one mile.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Entries for Maiden Plate, Newcastle Handicap, Hurdle Race, Wanaka Handicap, and Trial Plate to be sent to the Secretary at Wanaka Hotel before 6 p.m. on Wednesday, October 20th, 1880. Weights for Newcastle Handicap and Hurdle Race to be declared same evening. Acceptances to be lodged with the secretary not later than 10 a.m. on Thursday, October 21st, 1880. Weights for Wanaka Handicap to be declared at 8 p.m. on Thursday, October 21st, 1880. Acceptances to be lodged with the secretary before 10 a.m. on Friday, October 22nd, 1880.

Horses to be handicapped by the Stewards or whom they may appoint.

Three entries for each event, or no race.

No entry will be received for any of the above races except upon the following conditions:—Qualification fee of 1l is to the Race Fund, that all disputes and objections arising out of the racing shall be decided by the Stewards, and their decision to be final.

First race each day to start at one o'clock p.m.

The Dunedin Jockey Club rules will be strictly enforced.

WM. MONTEITH,
Secretary.



S T U D N O T I C E.

The Thoroughbred Entire Horse

H A R U H A

Will travel in the

WANAKA AND CROMWELL Districts during the forthcoming season.

FULL PARTICULARS IN FUTURE ISSUE.

TOM BEAUFORT,
Proprietor.

PROFITABLE INVESTMENT!!

FOR SALE

By private treaty, the Business carried on by Chalmers and Kerin at Pembroke as Butchers, including Butchers' Shop and Residence, Slaughter Yards, &c., all substantially built, with every requisite suitable for carrying on an EXTENSIVE BUTCHERING BUSINESS in the rising township of Pembroke and surrounding district.

Also, the Goodwill of Run 454, situate on the Wanaka Lake, held under Pastoral Lease, partly laid down in English grass, and Stocked.

The proprietors' sole reason for disposing of the above Property is owing to Mr Chalmers' intention of visiting the Old Country.

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For Sale

WANTED, a SHEPHERD accustomed to Hill Country; also, a BOY, to milk cows and kill sheep.

H. F. WILLMOTT,
Mt. Pisa Station.

WANTED, a BUTCHER for Bannockburn Co-operative Store Company. Must be thoroughly competent and able to keep accounts. Also, a BAKER. References required.—Apply to

JOSEPH L. MOORE,
Secretary, Bannockburn.

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Mrs R. A. Brown's COTTAGE, on the

Flat.

For particulars apply,

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
Agent.

BANNOCKBURN QUADRILLE
ASSEMBLY.

The above Assembly will CLOSE on the evening of WEDNESDAY, the 22nd inst., with

A DOUBLE PROGRAMME.

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED.

Admission (Non-Members) . . . 5s.

WM. LAKE,
Hon. Secretary.

A THENÆUM HALL, CROMWELL,
THURSDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER.

JENNY NYE'S PARTY OF ODDITIES.

Grand Farewell Performance

— ONE NIGHT ONLY —

ENTIRE CHANGE OF PROGRAMME!

The Entertainment will commence with the Comedy entitled

A PAIR OF PIGEONS.

PART II.—GRAND MUSICAL MELANGE.

PART III.—The Screaming Farce entitled "WHICH SHALL I MARRY?"

REDUCTION OF PRICES.

PEMBROKE . . . FRIDAY. 24th September.

BANNOCKBURN . . . MONDAY. 27th.

CROMWELL COLORED
MINSTRELS.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

AN ENTERTAINMENT

WILL BE GIVEN BY THE ABOVE IN

THE CROMWELL ATHENÆUM

ON

FRIDAY EVENING 8TH OCTOBER.

PROGRAMME IN FUTURE ISSUE.

SNOWBALL.

CROMWELL KILWINNING
LODGE (S.C.)

The REGULAR MEETING will be held on WEDNESDAY EVENING, 22nd September at 8 o'clock.

Business: Raisings.

By order of the R.W.M.

R. LOUDON,

Secretary.

CROMWELL RIFLE
VOLUNTEERS.

NOTICE.

GOVERNMENT INSPECTION PARADE will be held in the Drill Hall on FRIDAY EVENING, 24th instant, at 8 p.m.

A full attendance of members is required.

S. N. BROWN,
Captain Commanding.

W. CHALMERS & KERIN.

For Sale

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N O T I C E.

The ELECTORAL ROLL for the Dunstan District, for the year 1880-1881, is kept at my office, Court-house, Clyde, and at the Court-houses, Cromwell, Alexandra, and Ophir, for PUBLIC INSPECTION.

Forms of application to be placed on the Roll to be had at my office.

Copies of the printed Roll supplied on payment of One Shilling.

ARTHUR D. HARVEY,
Registrar of Electors.

V. R.

I N B A N K R U P T C Y.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE OTAGO GOLDFIELDS, HOLDEN AT CROMWELL.

In the matter of the Debtors and Creditors Act, 1876, and all the amendments thereof; and in the matter of the Bankruptcy of TIMOTHY GORMAN, of Kirtleburn, in the Provincial District of Otago, Hotelkeeper, a Debtor.

A Meeting of the Creditors of the above-named Debtor is hereby convened to be held at the Court-house, Cromwell, on FRIDAY the 24th day of September, 1880, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to consider an application by the Debtor for an Order of Discharge.

R. H. LEARY,
Trustee.

I N B A N K R U P T C Y.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE OTAGO GOLDFIELDS, HOLDEN AT CROMWELL.

In the matter of the Debtors and Creditors Act, 1876, and all the amendments thereof; and in the matter of the bankruptcy of ELIZABETH REID, late of Bendigo, in the Provincial District of Otago, a Debtor.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made to the District Court of the Otago Goldfields, held at Cromwell on Thursday, the 7th day of October, 1880, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, or as soon thereafter as practicable, by or on behalf of the said Elizabeth Reid for an Order of Discharge from all claims and demands provable on her estate, in accordance with section 184 of the above-mentioned Act.

ELIZABETH REID.

A.O.F.

COURT ROYAL OAK OF KAWARAU, No. 4929.

A SUMMONED MEETING of the above Court will be held on SATURDAY, 25th of September, in the Schoolhouse, Bannockburn.

Business: Quarterly night, and Election of Medical Officer to the Court.

POSTAL NOTICE.
The next outward Suez mail will close here at noon on Wednesday, 22nd inst.

Cromwell Argus,

AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1880.

WHILE, during the past three years, we have felt it our duty in the interests of the people of this County, to point out in the plainest language that the inevitable result of the prodigal way of conducting County business must be disaster, it is remarkable that the *Dunstan Times* has kept a discreet silence, only occasionally broken by words of false hopelessness dictated, without a doubt, by one who had a purpose to serve in keeping the taxpayers blind as to their true position. But the bubble of fictitious finance has at length burst, and even the *Dunstan Times*—which may be accepted as giving forth the views of the head of the Council on County matters when his own acts are questioned—is forced to the melancholy conclusion that economy must be observed in every possible direction—"that is if any useful works are to be carried out." Having read so far we rejoiced to think that our contemporary had gained his right mind. But alas! the next few lines undeceived us, and the cloven hoof of he who penned the article became at once apparent. Lightly stepping over the proposed reduction of salaries by "a hundred or so," the master mind of Clyde grasps an easier and more palatable means of retrenchment. The reduction of salaries by "a hundred pounds or so," only affects "four individuals" (the County officials); but the schemer desires a plan that will affect the "entire public." How this sagacious plan is unfolded can best be shown by quoting from the *Dunstan Times*:—"There is a luxury Vincent County is indulging in that it cannot afford, and let whom be affected, it must be lessened. We allude to the free prints—there are under the County control four of these institutions, costing at the very lowest £1,000 per year, and we think we should not be far wrong in saying £1,500, adding cost of maintenance to that of attendance. This amount would be saved by a small fee for horses and vehicles, leaving foot traffic free, and we unhesitatingly say, more especially as tolls have been again imposed on the roads down the country, that fees should be imposed." Put plainly, this means, "Don't touch our salaries to any appreciable extent, but pile on the agony to the uncomplaining ratepayers. Our ease and dignity must be preserved, and the toiling masses shall pay for it." And this is what a "free" and enlightened Press can lend its columns to advocate! Pshaw! the thing is sickening. Realising the position, why cannot the *Dunstan Times* adopt a manly and independent course and tackle the difficulty at its source? This continual lending of itself to suit the ends of one or two, as against the well-being of those to whom it is indebted for existence, is simply making the Clyde paper a by-word and a reproach among honest people.

Turning for a moment to the question of how best, consistent with due efficiency, retrenchment can be effected, we can plainly see a saving of at least £500 or £600 in salaries alone. It is needless here to give details, but any Councillor giving the subject a little consideration will easily see how and where the saving can be effected. All that has to be done is to assess the amount of work done by each servant and pay him even liberally in proportion thereto—but let us have all workers, no drones. Reduce the salaries of inspectors of works in proportion to what other workmen receive. Dispense with the luxury of an inspector for the Clyde bridge, and let the duty be done by the Engineer. The latter officer, by the way, might well be docked his £100 yearly travelling expenses, for the simple reason that he seems very seldom to travel outside of Clyde. And the present position and number of works in progress fully justify a similar reduction in the annual salary attached to the office.

Amalgamate the offices of Clerk and Collector, the duties of the combined offices just being sufficient to keep one man of active habits fully employed. Fix the Chairman's salary, if salary he must have, at £150 or £200, and require of him something in the shape of work in return for the money paid. If Councillors are sufficiently self-sacrificing to forgo payment for their time and services, well and good—the saving will go to swell the means made available for "useful public works" by adopting the course we have briefly pointed out. Thus the "four individuals" about whose well-being the Clyde paper is so very solicitous will each be well paid for the services they render the County; and we shall be saved the humiliating spectacle of beholding the "model" County of Vincent reverting to the imposition of a form of special taxation at once unjust and iniquitous, and which the County Chairman never lost an opportunity of denouncing in the most theatrical style in the past days of prosperity.

Sa shines, renewed in youth, the crested snake Who slept the winter in a thorny brake. High o'er the grass hissing he rolls along, And brandishes by fits his fork tongue.

The *Dunstan Times*, in common with other members of the viper species, has its periods of hibernation. In contradistinction however to the other members of that species, its

sleeping terms are not of fixed duration; nor are they apparently subject to any settled rules as regards periodicity—they may begin or end at any moment. For months the D.T. will pursue the (very) even tenor of its way, carefully reprinting the oldest and least interesting items it can lay hold of, and just as carefully ignoring the local news of the district—but always observing the decencies of life by abstention from review of its neighbors. All on a sudden, however, a change ensues. Some magic hand exerts its reviving influence, and the D.T. becomes a perfect demon of activity. In its wrath it pours out all the vile names in its copious vocabulary upon its unoffending neighbors who happen to pursue a different, a more independent, and a more enterprising path than it does itself. This it continues for a week or two till the inevitable reaction supervenes, and another period of hibernation begins.

It is only necessary to add that no reasonable observer can have failed to see that the D.T. is unusually active at such times and seasons as the opening or closing of Parliament, or when some unusually interesting meeting of the County Council (such as that of to-morrow) is about to take place. Especially is such the case when the matters to be dealt with particularly refer to the Chairman.

SPECIAL TELEGRAPHIC.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

ROXBURGH, This Day, 4.25 p.m.

Yesterday a Chinaman, named Ah Fong was committed for trial at next session of the District Court, Lawrence, for an indecent assault upon Janet Craig, aged 14 years.

At the election here to-day, Bastings polled 63 and Morris 51. There was considerable interest taken in the proceedings, which were orderly.

DUNEDIN, September 21, 11.4 a.m.

The San Francisco mail will probably reach Dunedin on Saturday.

The general rainfall on Sunday evening was much wanted.

A fire early this morning in Carrigan's chemist shop, Walker-street, did a good deal of damage to stock.

Mr Conyers has altered one furnace in the railway workshops at Port Chalmers to burn native coal instead of Newcastle. The experiment is highly successful.

A woman named Malcolmson was hanging out clothes yesterday in the Cannongate when the line broke and she fell over an embankment, breaking her leg.

Alfred Jewitt, fishmonger, for having three salmon trout in his possession, has been fined £25.

John Sullivan, discharged from gaol on Friday after a sentence of six years for garrotting in Dunedin, was fined for drunkenness yesterday. He made a great row in front of a private house in Rattray-street on Sunday morning, and was violent to the police.

The "unemployed" at work on the Hindon section of railway have nearly finished. It is not known yet whether Government will proceed further.

A deputation yesterday waited on the hon. T. Dick to urge the removal of the powder magazine from Vauxhall. It is stated that dynamite is kept there which might at any time explode by concussion of drays passing the door or a shot fired in the vicinity, when the effects on Dunedin would be highly disastrous. Professor Black, who spoke most seriously as to the danger, has lived for some years on the hill just above the magazine. Mr Dick promised to represent the matter to his colleagues.

Lee Guy, for the Kyeburn murder, was brought up at Nasby yesterday. The evidence was taken of Wong Gye, the district constable, and the interpreter who had taken Chinese notes of the conversation overheard between Lee Guy, Ah Wah, and Lee Yun, in the police cell. It seems not of much importance. A further remand was granted till Thursday.

A Wellington telegram says it is reported that the District Judges throughout the colony have received notice of abolition of district courts.

Twelve hundred persons visited the war ship *Danae* at Lyttelton yesterday.

At Greymouth on the 20th five days' crushing of 140 tons of quartz from the United Alpine Co. yielded 420ozs of amalgam from the top-plates only. The returns from top-plates of the Golden Fleece Extended, at Reefton, for the past two weeks amounted to 627ozs of amalgam.

Government received a telegram yesterday to the effect that 40 Natives came down on Sunday again to fence, and the same men today, but desisted at once on being ordered off. Mr Bryce left the camp yesterday for Wellington. The Hinemoa will fetch Major Atkinson on Wednesday.

An absurd canard was got up about the constabulary attacking Parihaka. About 1,800 Natives assembled at the Parihaka meeting, also about 30 Europeans. Te Whiti addressed the people in a calm and unimpassioned manner, dwelling for the most part on the peculiar doctrine of religion. He directed attention of his hearers to the necessity for living pure lives and adhere to doctrine in spite of imprisonment and arrest. He prophesied the end of the world was near at hand, and the Prince of Peace would then reign. He would not permit his people to fight the Pakehas. This followed in a speech characterised by remarkable sentiments of friendliness toward Europeans.

SAN FRANCISCO MAIL NEWS.

The City of New York, with the mail arrived at Auckland yesterday afternoon. The following few items give the principal news:

The English and French Jesuits have made two settlements in Wales.

Five thousand pounds are on hand in London to back Trickett in the match against Hanlon.

At a Home Rule demonstration in Glasgow a serious riot took place. While the procession was passing an Orange Lodge, the police were overpowered and two so badly injured as not expected to live.

Herbert Spencer, the writer on political economy and philosophy, will make the tour of the world next year. He first visits the United States.

A cattle plague has appeared on 15 farms in Lancashire.

Mr Levrin, a Justice of the Peace, was fired at while riding home recently from Tuam, County Galway. Three bullets struck him in the breast without effect, as he wore a coat of mail.

Five hundred officers and men of the Royal Marines have been ordered to Ireland.

An experiment in connecting New York with London by telephone is to be tried.

The Marquis of Waterford had been warned not to attend the Royal Agricultural Society's show. He was told if he went he would be shot for voting against the Compensation Bill. He was present despite the threat.

There is much less excitement at present (August 24th) owing to extremely good accounts of harvest prospects in two-thirds of Ireland from north to south.

A terrible riot took place at Dungannon on Sunday, the 15th August, in which many policemen were wounded. Their ranks were finally broken, and they fired buckshot freely into the crowd, several of whom almost rushed on the points of bayonets in their eagerness to attack. At Downpatrick it first occurred between Catholics and Orangemen, the former being worsted. Firearms were almost incessantly discharged from Sunday till Monday.

Precautions have been taken against resistance to eviction in the west of Ireland. Iron huts for the police are being constructed near Claremorris, County Mayo.

The American Press generally condemns the Canadian-Pacific railroad as a "foolish and expensive scheme," that will not pay running expenses during the present century. The country to be traversed is barren and destitute of inhabitants save savages; but the Dominion Government, now English capital is secured, is nevertheless pushing it forward energetically.

LATEST BY CABLE.

LONDON, September 18.

Arrived: William Davie, from Port Chalmers.

The death is announced to-day of Sir Fitzroy Kelly, Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer, aged 84.

It is announced that Turkey has sent a note to the Powers protesting against the proposed combined naval demonstration, because it is feared the same will cause anarchy in the Turkish empire. The Porte agrees to guarantee to carry out the demands of the Powers with regard to the cession of Dulcigno if the naval display is abandoned.

The match between the Australian Eleven and eleven gentlemen of Scotland was resumed to-day. The Edinburgh Home team continued their second innings, which closed for 130 runs. Boyle bowled splendidly; he did the "hat trick"—three wickets with three successive balls. The Australians, requiring 132 to win in their second innings, obtained the required number with the loss of only four wickets. Jarvis and Alexander batted well, scoring 41 and 47.

CONSTANTINOPLE, September 19.

Intelligence has been received here that the Albanians have re-occupied Dulcigno and expelled the Turkish garrison stationed there.

PARIS, September 18.

The crisis which has continued in the French Chamber for some days past in regard to the expulsion of the Jesuits has now terminated, Ministers having agreed to fully execute the March decrees against the Order.

INTERCOLONIAL.

ADELAIDE, September 20.

The Sorata's back is broken, and the work of pumping stopped. All hope of saving her has been abandoned.

MELBOURNE, September 20.

Some thieves entered Government House yesterday while the Marquis of Normanby and his guests were at dinner and carried off £150 worth of jewelry belonging to Lady and Miss Robinson.

In accordance with the policy of retrenchment and economy, reforms have been commenced in the Goldfields administration. It is understood that Wardens Stratford and Wood retire from the service on compensation, and that Major Keddell will take the combined districts of Dunstan and Wakatipu. In each of these districts a Receiver and a bailiff will be dispensed with. Nothing definite is yet known as to the ultimate determination of offices, but sufficient is public to indicate that sweeping, and in many instances desirable, alterations are about to be made in the Judicial Department. We notice at Arrow and Queenstown indiguation meetings are being held against the proposed alterations; but from the quiet and firm manner in which Government is carrying out measures of economy all round, it seems hopeless to look for any modification of the chief changes contemplated; and which a few weeks from now will be accomplished.

Mr McNulty informs us that his recently opened coal pit is again in working order, and he is in a position to keep his customers regularly supplied.

Intending tenderers for conveyance of local mails should bear in mind that offers must reach the chief office, Dunedin, not later than Thursday, 30th instant.

Volunteers of the Cromwell company are notified that the monthly parade will take place on Friday evening next instead of Thursday, the date having been altered on account of other meetings clashing.

The programme of the Wanaka Race meeting appears in another column. The money value of prizes offered is £110, and the events have been judiciously arranged. The meeting takes place on Thursday and Friday, 21st and 22nd October.

The Bannockburn Quadrille Assembly closes for the season to-morrow evening, when a double programme will be provided for the delectation of patrons of the mazy dance. Refreshments will be provided. Non-members admission fee is five shillings.

We hear that Mr J. Cowan, of Kawarau Station, has become the owner of the thoroughbred horse Rangatira, imported last year from Victoria by Stewart Waldegrave. The figure at which the horse changed hands has not transpired. It is probable Rangatira will be put to the stud, in which case owners of stock in the district may congratulate themselves.

The sum of £800 having been voted by the General Assembly for prizes, the amount has been divided pro rata among the Volunteer corps according to their nominal strength on 31st July, 1880:—Oamaru gets £33 5s 3d; Dunedin, £13 6s 5d; Invercargill, £31 15s 5d; Lakes, £25 0s 8d. Each district must arrange for markers at its own expense, and firing must be in accordance with the general rules published in 1878.

Messrs Preston and Cope, auctioneers, Arrowtown, will bring under the hammer on Monday next the Empire Hotel at Cardrona together with the furniture and effects. The Empire has been long and favorably known from the time it was opened by the late Mr G. B. Bond, and was carried on for years by his widow in a manner that gained for the house a first-class reputation and lucrative trade. The premises and business are worth looking after by parties having a little capital available.

The Dunedin Press is unanimous in the satisfaction felt at the appointment of Mr W. L. Simpson to the Resident Magistrate of Dunedin. The Star says:—The public and the profession will be altogether satisfied with the appointment of Mr W. L. Simpson as Resident Magistrate in Dunedin. We are all sorry to lose our old friend, Mr Bathgate, who has fulfilled the duties of the office with singular ability; but it is, indeed, a matter of congratulation, particularly in these days of queer appointments, that his place has been so well filled. Mr Simpson has a sharp, incisive way of doing business which is remarkably well suited to his Court, and a sharp eye for humbug in any form, which frequently saves a good deal of trouble and delay.

A friendly rifle match between six men a-side from Cromwell and Bannockburn Volunteers was fired on Saturday last and resulted in a victory for the contingent by 11 points. The following are the scores:—

	BANNOCKBURN.		
	200 YDS	400 YDS	500 YDS
Vol. Aitken	24	24	18—66
Col-Sergt. Crabb	21	25	19—65
Vol. Scott	19	22	18—59
Vol. Pryde	25	18	15—58
Sergt. Story	22	19	16—57
Corp. Menzies	17	21	16—54
			359
			CROMWELL.
Capt. Brown	22	19	25—66
Vol. P. Thomas	22	18	22—62
Vol. Henry	23	22	13—58
Lieut. Jolly	25	26	6—57
Sub-Lieut. Colclough	20	23	13—56
Sergt. Graham	22	15	12—49

Miss Jennie Nye and company are now on their return journey, after making a tour of the Goldfields with great success. We believe that wherever the company has appeared bumper houses have ruled, a fact which may be accepted as a tribute to the talents of its members—especially when it is remembered that up-country communities have of late been almost "done to death" by itinerant players. Miss Nye and party, however, take a place above the common run of professionals, and this has been substantially recognised by the public. Thursday evening they appear at the Athenaeum Hall here in a most attractive programme, which will no doubt draw a crowded house. Miss Nye will appear in comedy and farce, so that ample opportunity will be afforded of judging her versatile attainments. On Friday evening the company play at Pembroke, and as they are probably the first professionals who have so far departed from the beaten track they may look for a hearty reception. Monday evening is set apart for Bannockburn.

The *Morning Herald* adds insult to injury by the following remarks which appear in a leaderette of Saturday's issue. The point will not be missed by intelligent readers:—The present commercial depression, and the consequent retrenchment by Government, fall with exceptional severity on that section of our colonists who have heretofore been clever enough to live by their wits. The credit of this class, at the best of times, is not good, but now it has absolutely failed. Some of them have eked out a precarious livelihood by serving as members of Parliament and Chairmen of those public bodies which attach a salary to that honorable position. But now that Government retrenchment has ended in the withdrawal of subsidies and percentages of the Land Fund, the public bodies themselves are in turn compelled to retrench, and Chairmen's salaries and the emoluments attached to other sinecures are in danger and ready to vanish away. What is to become of the patriots who live by their wits?

Original Correspondence.

We do not identify ourselves with the opinions expressed by correspondents.

MR. PYKE IN PARLIAMENT.

To the Editor of THE CROMWELL ARGUS,

Sir.—I am pleased to see that you have had the courage to express an honest opinion upon the position attained by Mr. Pyke during the late session of Parliament. The very peculiar course of conduct that Mr. Vincent Pyke has followed throughout the session entitles him to be ranked as one of the leading obstructionists. Perhaps this is a position of which Mr. Pyke is proud, but it is not one in which his constituents take delight. The red rag flaunted before the eyes of Dunstan's member was, of course, the Railway Commissioner's report, and their utter condemnation of the Otago Central line. I am not desirous of lessening in any degree the credit to which Mr. Pyke is entitled for the action taken by him in the past on behalf of this work; but it must be confessed that his latest efforts appear to have been injudicious, and had a tendency rather to retard than expedite the construction of the line. Knowing the position of our finances and the powerful fit of economy that had been forced on the country it was not like Mr. Pyke's characteristic acumen to attempt to rush the work on, and highly impolitic when he failed in this to turn sulky, obdurate, and obstructive. Neither the Government nor the House endorsed the Commissioners' report, and on the Estimates a very liberal sum, in the circumstances of the colony, was placed to carry on the works meanwhile. That this amount (£58,000) was not carried was no fault of the Government, every member of which voted for it; that a reduction of £20,000 was made is due to the action of the Oamaru and Southland members. The Otago Central line is one that must assert its claim upon the country; but it is recognised even by those most directly interested in its construction that the present is not a favorable time to demand that its progress shall go beyond the means available.

It may be hurtful to the *amour propre* of Mr. Pyke to have his piccadillo paraded before the public eye, and difficult as everyone knows it to be to shame Mr. Pyke, I venture to think he has come back to Clyde feeling very small. As he has sown so has he reaped. Literally and politically, as a public man he is on his last legs, and he has the mortifying reflection that the chance offered to him to retrieve his fortunes in the Dunstan district has been thrown aside.—I am, &c.

PLAIN TRUTH.

Kawarau, September 12.

CO-OPERATION.

To the Editor of THE CROMWELL ARGUS.

Sir.—Under badage of advertising puff our townsmen, W. Talboys, expresses his opinions (which are by no means favorable ones) about the movement to establish a store at Bannockburn on the co-operative principle; and as every little said against a movement of this sort may have its effect, in this case the number of shares applied for may be less, by reason of the confidence of intending applicants being shaken.

He says he tried it and failed—although offering his goods 6s. in the £ less than the regular price. Surely the profits must be large to suffer this reduction. I would like to ask whether the goods he so offered were absolute necessities? Is it a fact that no cash payments are made in Cromwell? Has the time not arrived when bread should be less than 1s. the 4lb loaf, when potatoes can be sold for 6s. the 18lb? Should meat not be sold for less than the present exorbitant charge? These are questions we cannot say "no" to, and, being thus unanswerable, favor the establishment of such a store on Bannockburn. If only to get a reduction in price of the bare necessities of life, every thinking person should support the project, and if the advertiser can sell his goods 6s. in £ discount for cash, let us hope that the company may extend their business to woollen goods, boots, &c., leaving out frills and furbelows.

I make these remarks because there appears to be a certain amount of earnestness in the paragraph alluded to. Wages have come down, and the price of provisions should be proportionately lessened.—I am, &c.,

CO-OPERATIVE.

September 16th, 1880.

Of the late Rev. Mr. Dewe, whose death we recorded last week, the *Bruce Herald* writes:—"He arrived in this colony from England in the ship *Benicia*, some time in the year 1848. He was entitled to and received from the Otago Association, grants of 50 acres and 10 acres respectively, of country lands, and a quarter acre town section. This last he selected at Pelorus Bay, and the 50 acres he selected near Milton, which he named The Grove, where Mr. George Jones resides now. Mr. Dewe had been trained for the Ministry, but was not then ordained. After Mr. Musgrave, the first R.M., left Tokomairiro, Mr. Dewe was appointed Resident Magistrate in 1862, and performed the duties until he finally resigned, when Mr. J. P. Maitland was appointed. Mr. Dewe used to hold service in the Church near the Cemetery. About the time he resigned his position as Resident Magistrate, he got into some slight difficulties with a farm he had out near the present Church of England parsonage, and finally he gave up farming. He was duly ordained, and proceeded to the Dunstan about the year 1872; since then he moved to Invercargill. Mr. Dewe was esteemed by everyone who knew him. He was essentially a good man in every sense of the term, and will be remembered by many in this district with feelings of loving regret."

CROMWELL CRICKET CLUB.

The annual meeting of the Cromwell Cricket Club was held in the Copicil Chambers on Wednesday evening last, J. A. Freshaw, Esq., President, in the chair.

The Secretary opened proceedings by reading the financial statement and report of season 1879-1880. The former disclosed a balance of £1 7s 9d in favor of the Club, and the latter pointed out that only one out of the various matches played had been lost. When, however, the difficulty in collecting a strong team to leave the district is taken into account, this defeat loses half its significance. After these had been read and adopted, and a vote of thanks given to the retiring President, &c., the meeting proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing season, with the following result:—President, J. A. Freshaw; Vice-Presidents, Messrs Gudgeon and MacKellar; Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Arnold; Field Captain, S. H. Turton; Match Committee, Messrs Loudon, Tobin, Tizard, and the officers.

The opening match, Married v. Single, was then arranged for September 25th inst. A vote of thanks to the chair closed the meeting.

Afterwards, a very interesting ceremony was performed. The retiring field captain, Mr. Loudon, had promised to give a bat to the highest average scorer for the season. The President in presenting this handsome gift to Mr. Maddock (the Spofforth of the C. C. C.) took occasion to remark that the absence of one of the Australian team in their great match at Home had no doubt contributed to their defeat. The recipient replied in a very neat and suitable speech.

ARROWTOWN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

September 20.

The past week is destined to mark a memorable era in the history of the Arrow. First on account of the removal of the Warden from Arrowtown, and secondly by the institution of a daily mail with Dunedin. Although regarding the removal of the Warden, some vague prophetic fears were entertained by the observers of certain passing events, their sudden realisation strikes the great majority of residents in this district with considerable consternation. Immediately upon the news of Mr. Stratford's removal becoming known a requisition from the townspeople and others was presented to his Worship the Mayor, asking him to call a public meeting to consider the removal of the Warden, and asking the Mayor to invite Mr. Finn, M. H. R., to attend at the meeting. A telegram was also despatched to the Minister of Justice expressing the feeling of dissatisfaction caused by the news, asking for the reasons of the removal, and as to the future management of the district. The reply stated that the change was effected in accordance with the wishes of Parliament, and that the district would be efficiently officered.

The meeting called to consider the removal of the Warden was of a somewhat noisy and unbusiness-like character. Mr. Finn opened the meeting with a most violent and unwarranted attack upon the Lake County correspondent of the *Otago Witness*, but professed unbounded love for Mr. Warden Stratford; however the meeting did not seem to catch the fine sarcasm of legal fencing, and Mr. Finn unawares scored a mark. One or two contending publicans followed with banter and completely dissipated the spirit of the meeting. Under these circumstances no real business could be expected to be done, and the meeting lost sight of the real purpose for which it was called. The only proposition of importance that was carried was to the effect that Arrowtown be made the residence of the future Warden. At the end of the meeting Mr. Finn received a vote of thanks for his attendance and explanation, and the meeting came to an end.

The daily Dunedin mail, made easily possible by the completion of the Waimea railway, is a great boon, in which your district also participates. Another illustration of the benefit of a speedy transit to and from the metropolis is furnished by an incident which lately occurred here. Some portion of the Tipperary crushing mill, at Macetown broke on Monday night week, was sent to Dunedin, repaired, and returned in time to set the machine going again by the following Wednesday afternoon, or within 48 hours of the accident.

A public meeting was held in the Arrow Atheneum last Tuesday, to take steps to get the Recreation reserve vested in trustees, and a committee appointed to look to the fencing and general improvement of the reserve. Both objects were satisfactorily carried out, and subscriptions are freely forthcoming to assist the Committee to go to work at once. Tenders are called for fencing the reserve, and steps are also taken to form a Cricket Club, so that in due time your Club may look out for a challenge.

Volunteerism is still in the ascendant. Another strong muster put in an appearance at the last Government Inspection Parade, went through some drill in the Library Hall, and skirmishing movements in the Camp reserve. Practice at the butts also promises to be lively during the coming season. Major Finn has procured a splendid gold medal from England set with brilliants, which will be shot for by the Arrow Volunteers. Mr. William Scopes presented a heavy silver cup to be shot for, and Captain Jenkins, a silver lever hunting watch, valued at £9, to which Corporal Cockrill added a handsome locket, so that no incentive is wanting to get the men to go to the butts, and try their level best.

DUNEDIN GOSSIP.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

September 16.

Wonderfully fine weather continues; in fact altogether too fine for spring. We want rain badly.

I have heard a story about one of our legislators that brings to mind the quotation about the self-sufficiency of those "clothed in a little brief authority." The incident occurred on the steamboat coming from Wellington at the close of the session. One of the representatives of a northern Otago constituency was on board with his wife; also a civil servant with his wife. The two wives had some disagreement in their cabin, with the result that the more ladylike of the two (the helpmeet of the civil servant administered a somewhat severe rebuke to the other, "Sir," said the M. H. R. to the official next morning, "if you don't apologise for the insult offered to Mrs. — by your wife, I shall report you to the Ministry!" It is on record that the civil servant had the audacity to tell the member of Parliament to report and be—blowed.

Captain Barry achieved notoriety at the Hunt Club races last Saturday. He got on a piebald pony to the tail of which some irreverent cuss affixed a white handkerchief, and so cantered up and down the course amidst roar of laughter. The gallant Captain has no shame in such matters. He looks upon the whole thing as a cheap advt. I notice that his latest "diskivery" is a petroleum well about Orepuki. He has the formation of a company in hand. Truly "old Jack Barry can't be rubbed out."

The Dunedinites are somewhat exercised to know what Judge Bathgate intends to turn his hand to. It was intended to trot him out as our future Mayor, but he was not on the roll, so that idea had to be dropped. Then there was a rumor that he had a hankering to start an evening paper, but I don't think there is any truth in it.

The Caledonian Society's evening classes for this winter are just over. They are an excellent institution. A slight fee is charged, but it does not meet the expense by any means, and the Society has been at a cost this year of over £100. The usual gathering took place at the presentation of prizes to the scholars. Noteworthy amongst the speeches made was that by the Rev. Dr. Stuart. There had been a hint that "Jarrinism" had manifested itself in one of the classes to a slight extent, and this gave the Doctor a text. He told the boys that he did not believe all he heard about Colonial Jarrinism, that boys were boys all the world over, and hinted that when he was a lad he served a term to what people now called by the above hard name. One was reminded listening to him of the boy's pranks described in Black's charming story "The Daughter of Heth." Altogether the speech was a grand one, just the sort to captivate a lot of boys, and bound to do a deal more good than any number of homilies on the necessity of behaving and sticking to study. The Doctor is far and away the most respected and best loved of our clergy, and it was a great treat that evening to hear the way the boys cheered him and see the delight with which he took it.

A strong effort is being made by some of our local coal companies—the Walton Park at Green Island principally—to get their lignite (or brown coal, it is not grandiloquently called) used on the railways. The Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. E. B. Cargill, is largely interested in Walton Park, and at the meeting of that body the other day he referred to the question. He said the company had to battle against the prejudice of the enginedrivers. But he forgot to say that only a day or two previously one of the railway engines was handed over to the company's own man (who drives their own engine) to give him a day's trial, and that the result was a remarkably poor one, for the train was delayed a couple or three hours, and threw all the other traffic out. One very strong objection the railway drivers have to it is that in the tunnels they are nearly choked by the sulphurous fumes of the coal. This is a positive fact, and if a train happens to be half a minute longer than usual in the Look-out Point tunnel the men on the engine come out so exhausted that they are positively unable for the moment to manage the train. Another objection is the large quantity that has to be carried, and the constant firing-up that has to be done.

Talking of the railways, I notice that in articles about the Wellington accident some of our newspapers have spoken of the successful management by which accidents have been averted over our 1,200 miles of single line. If the whole truth was known perhaps the success has been aided by luck, and the Railway department can thank Dame Fortune just as the Standard Insurance Co. seems to have grounds to curse her. For instance, it is well known that a few months ago a grand collision on the south line was averted only by the fact that the two trains (both passenger ones) came in view of each other on a straight run where they had room to pull up. Very shortly afterwards another instance occurred, this time on the northern line, which was never made public. A special goods train was sent from Dunedin without any notice being given to Blueskin station, from which the down passenger train was just moving out when the goods came into sight round the corner of the cliff. Had the special been five minutes later, nothing on earth could have saved a collision just over those awful cliffs, and the result would not have been complimentary to railway management. The clerks responsible in each of these cases were in the General Manager's

office. They were reduced to the grade of station-masters for their errors, and that was all ever heard about the matter. So after all luck seems to have had a good deal to do with the freedom from big accidents on our railway lines.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

Mining at Bannockburn is showing signs of activity after the enforced lethargy of the winter. A number of men are busily employed cleaning the Carrick race. A small quantity of water from the side streams is already being delivered, and by the end of the week this will be largely augmented. Owing to the mildness of the winter very little damage has been done, and before the end of the month the whole length of race should be cleaned and the water brought from Coal Creek. About the head of Coal Creek there is a large quantity of snow, which will keep this race well supplied for some time; but without we have an exceptionally wet season there is every appearance of the lower races on the Bannockburn being very short of water, as there is no snow on the lower part of the range and the springs will soon give out. This will leave the Bannockburn people with very little water, as there is no doubt the greatest portion of the Carrick supply will be used on the Carrick itself, there being a number of claims already taken up there and waiting for it. The success of the Perseverance Co., Griffiths and party, and others at the head of Pipeclay Gully, will no doubt induce a large amount of prospecting this season.

O'Neil and party at School-house Terrace are determined this summer to thoroughly test their ground. This claim requires a large quantity of water to profitably work it, and as they have now all the Bannockburn race water, and we understand will also rent water from the Carrick race, they will be able to get over a large quantity of ground, and doubtless will make it pay handsomely.

The reefers are working away steadily, with every appearance of being very well satisfied with their prospects. Lawrence and Edwards at the top of the hill have about 15 dwts. per ton, and they are putting in a short tunnel to cut the reef at a lower level. W. Radford, at the same place, has about 200 tons of the same class of stone at grass, and is now getting out at the rate of 12 to 15 tons per week. Mr. C. Green has found a very good leader in the ground which was formerly the Young Australian Co.'s lease, and is getting some nice stone from it. These claims will pretty well keep Radford's mill employed during the summer.

The Last Chance party, Williams and Co., has about 100 tons of very likely stone out. They have been putting in a tunnel at a low level to cut the reef, but met with a bar of very hard rock, which has delayed them a few weeks. They have nearly cut through it, and will then have a fair lift overhead, which will enable them to get stone pretty quickly.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN NEWS.

[By Cable.]

(FROM DUNEDIN DAILIES.)

LONDON, September 14.

Owing to heavy rain the match between the Australians and the Sussex County team has been interrupted.

Hanlan, the Canadian oarsman, has arrived at Queenstown.

At the wool sales to-day 9800 bales were offered, making a total of 211,800 bales since the opening. Prices are firmly maintained. Inferior and faulty wools of all kinds are rather lower than last sales. For crossbreds, prices were 1d higher compared with previous sales. The wool auctions close on September 26th.

The match between the Australians and Sussex County team, which was interrupted owing to bad weather, was resumed to-day. The Australians continued their first innings, and were all disposed of for 154 runs. The Home team then went in for their second innings, and when stumps were drawn had lost two wickets for 156 runs, but the weather being very showery throughout the day the match was unfinished.

September 16.

The match between the Australians and Eleven Gentlemen players of Scotland, at Edinburgh, was commenced to-day. The Home team went first to the wickets, and were all disposed of for 143 runs.

September 17.

The Great Powers have presented their ultimatum to the Porte, strongly insisting on the cession of Dulcigno to Montenegro, and active warlike preparations are being made by the combined fleet now at Ragusa, for the purpose of enforcing the same.

The cricket match at Edinburgh—Australians v. Eleven Gentlemen of Scotland—was resumed to-day. The Australians went in for their first innings, and were all disposed of for 142. The Home team went to the wickets for their second innings (having made 143 in their first), and when the stumps were drawn for the day had scored 106 runs for the loss of five wickets.

Efforts are being made to arrange a return match between the Australian Eleven and the All-England representative team. The Australians are very anxious to be afforded the opportunity of again meeting their antagonists. It is believed that it will be possible to arrange the match. The general impression is that if Spofforth had been able to play the Australians might have won.

They will leave England for Australia by mail on October 8th.

CALCUTTA, September 15.

An inquiry has been ordered to be held into the causes which brought about the defeat of General Burrows at Candahar, when attacked by Ayoub Khan's forces. General Phayre has been appointed presiding official at the inquiry.

OUR VICTORIAN LETTER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, September 10.

The opening day of our International Exhibition is fast approaching, and still our streets remain in the same disgraceful state. Some of them are actually dangerous. Considerable stir has been made at the City Council, but nothing done—our Councillors are first-rate at talking, but dreadfully deficient at carrying out improvements.

Rain has been falling during the last few days. In fact, it has just come in time to save the crops, which have been suffering considerably for want of refreshing showers.

Mr Thomas Higinbotham, Chief Engineer of Railways, expired suddenly at the residence of his brother, Mr Justice Higinbotham, last Sunday night. An inquest was held on Monday, and the following verdict returned—"That Thomas Higinbotham was on the morning of the 5th day of September at Brighton found dead in bed, having died from effusion of serum in the cavities of the brain and heart, brought about by natural causes." A very large number of gentlemen followed the remains to their last resting place.

Captain Allen of the ill-fated vessel *Eric the Red*, wrecked on the Otway reef, arrived in Melbourne on Monday evening. He is totally unable to account for the disaster. A few minutes before the ship struck he had estimated that he was about five miles distant from the reef. It is marvellous that any one was saved, considering that they were in the water for four hours before being picked up by the Dawn. The wreck, &c., has been sold for the sum of £410. The ship and cargo were valued at £40,000.

Dr L. L. Smith's proposal that the Government should guarantee 10 per cent. on the working capital of any steamboat company bringing out passengers to Melbourne at cheap rates has been rejected. Mr Berry is of opinion that the Exhibition will be a success without the aid of Dr Smith's idea, and he strongly objects to the colony being saddled with an unlimited responsibility. It is a pity Dr Smith's idea cannot be introduced, as it would without doubt be most beneficial.

PROVINCIAL AND COLONIAL.

It is stated that a nugget weighing 140oz has been found at Temora, N.S.W.

The appointment of Mr W. L. Simpson to be Resident Magistrate in Dunedin is gazetted.

About 100 acres were sold lately in the Longwood district at an average price of £8 4s per acre.

It is stated that it has been decided to erect breakwinds along the dangerous portion of the Rimutaka incline, the scene of the recent serious railway accident.

One of Sir H. Robinson's race-horses died at the Hutt last week. It is supposed that death resulted from injuries received during its passage from Melbourne.

A rumor is current that it is contemplated to hold a meeting of the Otago members of the Assembly in Dunedin at an early date, for the purpose of discussing the political situation.

Mrs Greer (whose name has been before the public in connection with the Melbourne Opera-house tragedy) having been refused a passage on the *Chimborazo*, her friends have arranged for her going by a sailing vessel.

Mr A. M. Huxtable, who resided in Cromwell for some time and recently joined the Carandini company, is highly spoken of as a vocalist in the West Coast papers. The *Grey River Argus* states that he will probably become one of the best bass singers in the south.

All the Protestant churches in Sydney have expressed their approval of Sir Henry Parkes' action in regard to Mr Proctor's proposed Sunday lectures. It has transpired that Sir Henry Parkes acted in defiance of the Attorney-general's written opinion that the lecture could not lawfully be interfered with.

Under the new Stamp Act a stamped receipt has to be given for all payments received from the Government, whether as salaries, wages, or from contracts. This of course means only a shilling yearly to officers paid monthly, but it has excited some little grumbling. It is estimated to make a difference of nearly £2000 per annum to the revenue.

The fact that over 18,000 gallons of white spirit should be taken out of the Government bond during one year, for consumption and use in Sydney, is terribly suggestive. This white spirit is pure alcohol, and, whilst it is very useful in arts and manufactures, it is also extensively employed in the manufacture of cheap and poisonous spirits and wines.

At Auckland, one Jacob Swift has been fined £100, with forfeiture of goods, for smuggling a quantity of jewellery into the colony. The seizure together with the fine will take the gloss off the profits of Swift's venture. The goods forfeited are valued at £150 wholesale, and the fine and expenses will bring the total loss up to considerably over £250.

I think it is monstrous (said Judge Harvey the other day in dealing with an application for the discharge of a bankrupt) that a man should be allowed to take up land upon deferred payment when he sees no chance of paying the whole of the instalments. I have seen instances where the amount paid on the land to the Government by the holder was sufficient to satisfy all his creditors, and I think in such cases the money should be re-funded by the Crown for that purpose.

N. Z. RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

Captain Brown has received from the Secretary of above Association at Wellington a circular giving particulars of the work done and money expended during last year. There is also a programme of the forthcoming meeting. The following is a summary of the matches and particulars thereof. The third prize meeting will be held at Brightwater, near Nelson, during March, 1881. There are 19 matches in all—seven for rifles, seven for carbines, and five for any member, to be shot for under the rules of the Association:

For rifles only, there will be match No. 2 (200 yards), 12 prizes, amount £35; No. 4 (400, 500, and 600 yards), 19 prizes, £50; No. 6 (200, 400, 500, and 600 yards), 19 prizes, £60; No. 9 (200 and 500 yards) 14 prizes, £50.

For carbines only—Match 3 (200 yards), 12 prizes, £35; match 5 (200, 400, and 500 yards), 19 prizes, £50; match 7 (200, 300, 400, and 500 yards), 19 prizes, £60; match 10 (200 and 400 yards), 14 prizes, £50.

AGGREGATE PRIZES.

Rifles—1st, Rifle Champion Belt, N.Z.R.A. Gold Star and £15; 2nd, N.Z.R.A. Silver Star and £7 10s; 3rd, N.Z.R.A. Silver Star and £15; 4th, £2 10s.

Carbines—1st, Carbine Champion Belt, N.Z.R.A. Gold Star and £15; 2nd, N.Z.R.A. Silver Star and £7 10s; N.Z.R.A. Silver Star and £5; 4th, £2 10s.

If the National Rifle Association Silver Medal arrives in the colony in time, it will be competed for under conditions to be named by the Council.

North v. South (Rifles)—200, 500, and 600 yards; open only to the 10 highest aggregate scores belonging to each island in matches 2, 4, 6, and 9.

North v. South (Carbines) 200, 400, and 500 yards; open only to the 10 highest aggregate scores belonging to each island in matches 3, 5, 7, and 10.

Ladies' Prize—200, 250, and 300 yards; open to any member; prizes: £5 given by the Association, and three-fourths entries of the match.

Rifle Company's Trophy—200, 500, and 600 yards; to be competed for only by company representatives, one competitor to each company allowed; entrance £1 each; entrance money to be devoted to the purchase of a trophy, to be deemed the property of the corps to which the winner may belong.

Carbine Company's Trophy—200, 400, and 500 yards; conditions similar to rifle trophy.

Rifle Company's Challenge Match—Five members of a company to constitute a team; ranges, 200, 400, 500 and 600 yards.

Prizes—(1.) Rifle Challenge Cup, to be held by the team for 12 months, and £25 to the highest team; (2.) £10 to the second highest team; (3.) £5 to the third highest team.

Carbine Company's Challenge Match—Ranges, 200, 300, 400, and 500 yards; similar prizes to the rifle match.

Any Member's Match—Any rifle; 700, 800, and 1000 yards.

Consolation Match—200, 300, and 400 yards.

It will be seen from the above list that rifles and carbines are treated exactly alike both as to the number of matches and the value of prizes.

Terrible story of Avarice and Crime.

The *Neue Freie Presse* of Vienna is responsible for a frightful story, which, strangely enough, will not be new to English readers familiar with Lillo's *Fatal Curiosity*. Fifteen years ago a young Viennese parted from his mother and two brothers to seek his fortune in America. No news ever came of him; he was supposed to be dead, and lamented as such. Last month, however, the two brothers received the visit of a stranger who was no other than the supposed defunct. The delight of the recognition may be imagined, and we may be sure that it was not diminished when the wanderer spread out on the table before his brothers' eyes the 300,000 florins which he had brought back with him from America. They would not, however, keep their recovered brother exclusively to themselves, and told him their mother kept an inn in a neighboring village.

It was agreed that the long-lost son should not at once reveal himself to his mother, but should first go to the place incognito, and that then, after he had spent two days under his mother's roof, his brothers should rejoin him there to witness the revelation of himself to his mother, and celebrate the reunion of the family by an impromptu festival. But 15 years of absence had so changed the son that his mother did not recognise him, and when, before going to his room for the night, the young man begged his hostess to take charge of his 300,000 florins for him, she had no idea who it was that reposed in her such extraordinary trust. Never in her life had she seen such a mass of gold; she could not sleep for the demon of cupidity gnawing at her heart, and yielding at last to the temptation, she took a razor, crept up to the traveller's room, and severed his carotid artery with a single stroke. The body she concealed in a corner of the cellar. Two days afterwards the brothers arrived, and asked if a strange traveller had not come to the inn. The mother grew horribly pale, and, pressed by questions, ended by a full confession. When told who had been her victim, she ran to deliver herself to justice, crying out in the midst of her sobs, "Kill me, miserable that I am, I have murdered my son!"

Last week, at Hokitika, a carter named G. Rawley, in the employ of Mr King, a saw-miller, cut his throat with a razor. He was found quite dead. He had been drinking.

The Sleeping Girl of Turville.

At Turville, a little village nine miles from High Wycombe, England, is a young woman 22 years of age, who is said by her friends and relatives to have remained in a somnolent state for the last nine years. A correspondent, who visited the house last week, found that the girl's mother had died a few days previously. The correspondent adds:—"Nine years ago the girl was removed from Reading Hospital, where she had been an inmate for four months and a fortnight suffering from a large abscess in the head and neck. She at this time fell into a somnolent state, and became paralysed. I was assured that she has never spoken or unclosed her eyes since she was 13 years of age. The complexion is pallid, with occasionally a scarcely-perceptible flush; the extremities are cold; the nails and hair have not grown, neither have they been cut; the feet have not grown, the waist is most attenuated, being about 9½ in circumference. Her height is about 5ft 1in. The teeth, one in the upper and one in the lower jaw, have been removed to permit of nourishment being conveyed to the stomach. She is fed on port wine, tea, milk, and arrowroot, no solids; an old teapot contains what is administered, and she is fed about four times a day. The pulse is quick and the breathing regular; but apparently the muscular power is dormant, consequent upon total paralysis of the limbs and brain. She had never been moved from one chamber to the other until May 28, when it was necessary to make room for the coroner, Mr Charles, and the jury, to hold the inquest on the parent. It appears to be the impression that when she wakes she will expire, and the sister and father fear that she cannot last long, now that the maternal care and attention are gone."

Original Poetry.

THE EMIGRANT'S FAREWELL.

With hopeful hearts away we go
With the swift receding tide

O'er the heaving foam,
To toil for a home

In a land both new and wide.

We go to work with willing hands
Where plenteous harvest grow;

Where the reapers share
In the ample fare

Which the new-farm'd fields bestow.

We hope to gain a humble share
Of the precious worldly wealth,

That will comforts give

While we, toiling, live,

And in age or feeble health.

We would not scorn the peaceful life

We have lived in our native land;

But in fresher fields

Honest labor yields

A reward more sure and grand.

The earnest worker seeks not gold—

Unless he has earned it well—

And all that we ask

For each finished task

Is value for what we sell.

The hardships come in a foreign land,

We will bravely strive to meet

Each trial and care

Which come to our share,

And press on with unshrinking feet.

We yet may love the scenes around

Our future far-off home.

That home may be bright

And our spirits light

Although homeless now we roam.

We fain would stay, but now must go

Away o'er the broad blue sea.

Now our hearts are glad,

And now they are sad,

Yet cheered with the joy to be,

Farewell dear friends; though now we go

And may never return again,

We will think of thee

On the rolling sea,

And the vast New Zealand plain.

Farewell, old Scotia! tho' we ne'er

May behold thy scenes again,

While our bosoms thrill

We will love thee still,

Thou dear land of hill and glen.

Farewell! and may God be with us,

And with those we leave behind.

Where'er we roam

We'd think of the home

Which the children of God doth find.

JOHN BLACK.

The virtues of Sander and Sons' Euca-
lypti Extract are every day becoming more
widely known and appreciated. The Extract is
the essential essence of the Australian gum-tree,
and contains elements of wonderful medicinal
value. For internal ailments of every kind, as
well as burns, cuts and other injuries, it is a
certain and speedy remedy. It should be in
every family, and to miners and others far
removed from medical aid, the Extract will prove
invaluable. With each bottle will be found
directions for use, together with certified testi-
monials as to the efficacy of the Extract in many
serious cases where other remedies have failed.
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trict.

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